SHOT IN HIS HOME

ALL BATESBURG WONDERS WHO PULLED TRIGGER

MYSTERIOUS SILENCE

J. Milton Hite Goes to His Home for Supper and is Soon Afterwards Found Wounded-Telephone Line-

Awaiting Investigation.

Mystery shrouds the shooting of J. Milton Hite, of Batesburg, which occurred Saturday night in the Hite home, and in the presence of Mrs. Hite and her eight-year-old daughter. The wound may prove fatal, for the doctors at Augusta, where Mr. Hite was carried, say he has a meagre chance to live. Walter E. Gurganous is held charged with the shooting.

According to information obtainable, Mr. Hite left his work a little before 7 o'clock Saturday night to go to his home for supper and upon ganous in the hall and his wife and little daughter in the bed room. It is believed that a quarrel followed ger to leave, and that during a scuffle with Gurganous the pistol was fired. Sheriff Miller, who made a thorough investigation, refused to divulge what he terms as the inside story, saying that he would hold it until the proper

Gurgenous was arrested Saturday harm would be done his prisoner, the dation Act of 1876. feeling at Batesburg being strong against the man.

Mrs. Ella Delle Hite, wife of the Magistrate A. H. Blease by John G. affdavit sets out:

That on information and belief at wound one J. Milton Hite, with in- ply to all sections of the Irish people. the pistol immediately after the firtent, him, the said J. Milton Hite, to peace and dignity of the State.

Mrs. Hite refused to be interview-Gurganous, who is charged with

the shooting, is occupying a cell on must be no /ultimate separation of the upper floor of the jail, while Mrs. Ireland from Great Britain. The real hand, testified that Scott Madison had Hite occupies a lower cell just to the and effective authority, supreme and attempted to buy his pistol-a 38right of the cell occupied by the unquestionable, he said, must be re- calibre, left-hand Wheeler-from young man. Carrying out the instructions of Solicitor George B.

between the two. of emotion. She took her arrest calmly, it is said, and the outcome of

Gurganous. Mrs. Hite is a typical low Protestants. brunette, very attractive in personality. She was becomingly dressed in a blue coat suit with a hat to match. The shooting for which Gurganous and Mrs. Hite are being held occurred in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hite, at Batesburg, on Saturday night about 7 o'clock. Mr. Hite left his work at the store of L. D. Cullum to go to supper, a little before 7 o'clock, and a few minutes later a pistol shot rang out. Nearby neighbors rushed to the home only a find Hite with a pistol wound in the lower part of the

Gurganous and Mrs. Hite were found in the home together, it is said. Mrs. Hite being at the telephone trying to get a doctor when the first person arrived. The weapon with which the wound was inflicted was, it is alleged, the property of Mr Hite and has never been found.

When seen at the county jail Sunday morning, which was two days prior to the arrest of Mrs. Hite. Gurganous refused to make a statement further than to say that the shooting was purely an accident. He said also that he did not do the shooting: that there was no one in the room at the time except himself and Mr. and Mrs.

FUGITIVE SURRENDERS.

Man Charged With Killing Negro

Will Stand Trial.

has been a fugitive from justice tor tanburg Saturday and surrendered to charged with killing a negro. John Franklin, in J. C. Irwin's store at Enoree on February 22, 1908, after a majority of the hunters wore red quarrel, in which Franklin is said to | caps. have called bim a liar. Hughes fled after the shooting and has remained in hiding since. He was overcome with home-sickness and decided to return and stand trial. He was committed to jail.

Burned to Death.

Essie May Doggett. of Newberry. killed in a season of one week's durawas burned to death Monday after- tion. noon. Her parents, while in the vard heard her scream and found her

Town Swept by Fire.

ALLOWED NO ARMS

IMPORTATION INTO IRELAND IS NOW PROHIBITED.

Takes First Step Towards Conciliation With Ulster, Favoring Carson's Plan.

The British cabinet, by a royal proclamation promulgated Friday Trial at Barnwell Results in Convicnight prohibiting the importation of arms and ammunition into Ireland. for the first time grasped the nettle of the revolution in Ulster, which it man and Mrs. Hite Are in Jail hitherto had ignored, although the followers of Sir Edward Carson for months have been advertising their military preparations in every possible way and daring interference death penalty for the murder of Mr. with them.

of the proclamation Premier Asquith day, December 19, and Monday, Deconciliation of the Ulsterites that the sentence of Judge Gage late Monday per cent. government has taken by announcing afternoon, after the jury had brought his acceptance of the principles of a in a verdict of guilty of murder as to basis of agreement with Sir Edward Madison, and guilty of assault and 030 round bales last year, 87,996 Carson suggested in his last speech. battery as to Gilbert Miller, also col-

These principles are: First, that ored. Great Britain.

at the home of Mr. Hite soon after and ammunition into Ireland, which hit him was the one running down the shooting by Chief of Police Darby King George signed at a meeting of the street. Mr. Best then turned to of Batesburg. An automobile was se- the Privy Council Thursday, and walk away and the fatal shot was cured and Gurganous was brought to which Friday was published in the fired. the Lexington jail, where he was Royal Gazette, was milder than ru-

Premier Asquith's pronouncement made by Durant. was made, as many of his most im-Lexington county jail. She was ar- chester. It was in this same city and mitted. rested on a warrant sworn out before on a similar occasion that Sir Edward Dr. R. C. Kirkland testified as to Carson's overtures were made, so the nature of the gunshot wound on Derby, chief of police of Batesburg, that it would appear that the nego- the body of Mr. Best-that the bulin which she is charged with being tiations for a settlement of the Irish let entered from the back and passed an accessory to the shooting. The controversy were taking the course of entirely through the body.

informal public debate. Batesburg. Lexington County. State basis of settlement categorically, Pre- behind the left ear of the dead man, aforesaid, on the 6th day of Decem- mier Asquith said he was sure Sir which could have been caused by a ber. 1913, one Ella Delle Hite did Edward must agree that the state- blow from a bottle. unlawfully assist, aid, abet and pro- ment that there could be no settlecure one Walter E. Gurganous, with- ment worthy the name that would be ing in the doorway of Kearse's pool out just cause or provocation, to vio- humiliating or degrading to those for room at the time of the tragedy, teslently assault, shoot, penetrate and whom Sir Edward spoke should ap- tified to having seen the smoke from

kill and murder, said aiding, abeting, said he supposed Sir Edward referred staggered towards him and Mr. A. assisting and procuring being against to what formerly was called "home M. Harden, exclaiming as he fell, the form of the statute in such case rule all round." Ireland's case, he "Boys, I'm shot." That deceased made and provided and against the added, was a case of urgency and died immediately thereafter. ed after reaching the jail, telling through the complicated process of shooting, testified to having seen the Sheriff Miller that she would not adopting the principle of home rule flash of the pistol in front of the make a statement now, but in a few to all the different parts of the United negro restaurant and that he caught

The premier said he agreed there falling. tained by the Imperial Parliament. him on the afternoon of the shooting:

Timmerman, who accompanied Sher- hour when the newspapers of both have it and that it was later stolen iff Miller to Batesburg, Mrs. Hite and parties considered that attempts at a from his trunk, presumably by Madi-Gurganous will not be allowed to talk settlement had reached the stage of son returned the pistol and said that to each other. A close guard will be deadlock. If the compromise is he had killed a white man; that witplaced around the pail during the day cemented the agitation over the ness became frightened and hid the in order that no message may pass army, which has grown bitter, will pistol under the A. C. L. freight debe one of the strongest reasons for pot. Mrs. Hite showed no visible signs it. Sir Edward Carson and several

her husband's injuries will be await. In speeches suggested that the offied before any attempt is made to cers should resign and the soldlers secure bond for either Mrs. Hite or refuse to fire if ordered to fight fel-

LOSE LIVES HUNTING.

This Season's Death List Breaks All

Records.

The hunting season, ending the east week, cost 135 lives in 21 states. In addition, 140 persons were injured, a number of them fatally. Wisconsin was the chief sufferer of the season, with a total of 29 dead and 27 injured. Michigan was next with 28 dead and 16 injured. New York was third with 19 dead and one injured.

The careless handling of weapons was the chief cause of death. Thirty seven persons lost their lives at their wn hands. Twenty-four others shot themselves, but escaped with lesser companion was held responsible for 24 deaths and one injury. The man who shoots everything he sees moving was held responsible for 17 deaths and ten injuries. Sixteen hunters were downed while searching

The killing of 5,180 deer in Maine. New Hampshire, Vermont and Massaand more or less serious injury to 72 others. Of the 11 persons killed in Maine, four were mistaken for deer and shot by other hunters.

A total of 7.500 deer fell before the onslaught of shooters in Minnesota, according to an estimate made Sullivan Hughes, a white man, who by H. A. Rider, of the State Game and Fish commission. It was the nearly six years, returned to Spar- best season for shooting the animals in a decade, despite the absence of Sheriff W. J. White. He was accom- snow in the northern woods. Eight panied by his father. Hughes is hunters were killed and two injured. Most of the fatalities were due to men being taken for deer, though a

> No one was killed during the Masthe woods on his shoulders. Deer in Massachusetts than in other parts see river. of New England, 1.580 animals being

Negroes Are Held.

While Harry and Andrew Black, negroes, of St. Louis, who Saturday shot and killed policemen, in St. Practically the entire business sec- Charles, were held, the citizens extion of the town of Sherrill, 20 miles pressed their feelings so strongly

the races.

CONDEMED TO DIE

SLAYEB OF BARNWELL MERCHANT FACES DEATH

TO DIE BEFORE XMAS

tion of Negro, Scott Madison-Testimony Clearly Against Him and

a White Man. Scott Madison, colored, will pay the E. Peyton Best in Barnwell on the Almost at the time of publication night of December 8, between Fri-

the settlement must not be humiliat- The testimony of the case seemed inging or degrading to Ulster; sec- to show conclusively that Madison arrival there, it is said, he found Gur- ond, Ulster's treatment must not be was the guilty party, although he dedifferent or exceptional from that nied having committed the crime. A ed with 51,275 bales last year, 87,656 Cain was heard to express the opinion meted out to the other parts of the summary of the testimony is given United Kingdom; third, Ulster must below. Ed Durant, a negro, who was and 68.396 bales in 1908. and that Mr. Hite ordered the stran- retain full protection of the Imperial the first witness, testified that Mr. Parliament; fourth, the home rule Best pushed Miller, who was stand- states, with comparisons for last year bill must not be such as to lead to ing in the door of the restaurant, and of the years and the percentage building, and that Miller then threw date in those years follow: Thus the government extends to a bottle at him and ran. According the signers of the Ulster covenant to the testimony, Mr. Best turned and the olive branch. The proclamation asked Scott Madison who hit him, the prohibiting the importation of arms defendant replying that the man that

The testimony of Rufus James, placed behind the bars. Chief Darby mors had anticipated it would be. Mitchell Stroy and Julius Williams, stated that he chose a circuitous Instead of reviewing the Irish Crimes the proprietor of the restaurant and route in order to be sure that no Act it invoked the Customs Consoli- pool room in question, all corroborated in the main the statements

Major R. Boyd Cole testified to portant declarations on British poll- finding a pistol under the depot, upon wounded man, was arrested at her tics have been, in an after-dinner information given by Andrew Simms, home by Sheriff Miller Tuesday and is speech. The premier was the guest the same being, it was alleged, the now resting behind the bars of the of honor of the Reform Club at Man- one with which the murder was com-

Mr. Alva Mellett, the undertaker, Dealing with Sir Edward Carson's testified that there was a small bruise

Mr. Vince Dunbar, who was stand-On the second point Mr. Asquith ing of the two shots; that Mr. Best

must come first. It could not be de Mr. A. M. Harden, who was standlayed until the government has gone ing by Mr. Dunbar at the time of the Mr. Best in his arms as deceased

Andrew Sims, a negro section Mr. Asquith's speech comes at an that he refused to let the defendant

Albert Cave, colored, testified that prominent Unionists, notably Lord a negro threw a bottle at Mr. Best, Lansdowne and Andrew Bonar Law, who turned and asked who hit him. No one replied, and deceased then turned and started up the street when a negro snapped a pistol at him three times. Another negro, he said then fired the shots, one of which hit Mr. Best in the back. Witness could not identify the assailants, who were

> Scott Madison is from Remini. He was put upon the stand in his own defence, and told a story entirely at variance with the testimony of the witness for the State. So unsupport able was his testimony, that he got badly mixed in the telling and no weight was given to it whatever. He denied doing the killing, but said that it was done with the gun he had got ten from Andrew Simms. He accused one Seaman Moore of the crime. Gilbert Miller testified in his own behalf, and apparently told a straightforward story, impressing his that Mr. Best had pushed him out of the way, and that he had hit the dead said, admitted having shot a white

man. Two negro women and Seaman

connected with the tragedy. This completed the case. The fury was out about twenty minutes. returning the verdict given above. Milsion to speak, and made several rebody, the collection of some money owing to him, and that he be allowed to thank his friends for what they had done. The defendants were then

remanded to jail.

Mrs. Fred Krause, of Chattanooga.

Confederate Reunion.

Gen. Bennett H. Young, commandreunion of the organization.

Yeggmen in Georgia. The post office safe at Register, in cash.

GINNINGS AHEAD

THIS YEAR SHOWS GAIN OVER LAST YEAR'S REPORT.

According to Government Report Amount Prepared for Market to December 1 is 12,081,100.

The sixth cotton ginning report of the census bureau for the season. issued Monday morning, announced that 12,081,100 bales of cotton. counting round as half bales, of the growth of 1913 had been ginned Two Said He Told Them of Killing prior to December 1, to which date during the past seven years the ginning average 83.2 per cent. of the entire crop. Last year to December 1 made the longest step towards the cember 22, inclusive. Such was the to that date 11,008,661 bales, or 84.1 those at the club the shooting was levee along the Brazos river crum-

> 760 round bales, compared with 73,- happening. round bales in 1911. 101,718 round bales in 1909.

Ginnings prior to December 1, by accidental.

Alabama.

Ginnings.

	Year.		Ginnings.	Pct.
	1913		1,365,888	
	1912		1,161,482	87.4
	1911		1,436.076	84.7
	1908		1,175,629	88.3
		Ar	kansas.	
	1913			
	1912		659,505	85.5
	1911		680,434	74.9
	1908		776,461	78.0
			lorida.	
	1913		58,490	
	1912			82.7
	1911		74,056	78.4
	1908		58,603	83.0
		. Ge	eorgia.	
	1913		2,064,792	
	1912		1,564,428	86.3
	1911	1111111111	2,339,354	83.7
	1908		1,539,657	88.0
			uisiana.	
	1913		340,086	
	1912			91.6
	1911			82.4
	1908			84.6
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٠,	1913		955,588	
	1912		817.707	81.4 -
	1911			76.3
	1908		1,297,677	80.1
	1000	North		00.1
	1913		622,746	
	1912		754,569	83.3
•			828,650	73.6
	1911			81.1
	1908		lahoma.	01.1
	1012			
	1913			86.5
	1912		10 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	77.1
	1911			91.5
	1908	Conth	Carolina.	31.0
	1010	South	1,161,437	
	1913		1.041.689	85.1
	1912		1,041,089	
	1911		1,310.963	77.5 86.5
	1908		1,051,550	80.5
		Ter	nnessee.	
	1913		304.502	
				78.0
	1911			74.4
	1908		279,654	83.7
			Cevas.	
	1913		3,571,331	00.0
	1912		4.314.821	92.9
	1911		3.747.932	91.3
	1908		3,193,096	88.0
			r States.	
	1913			
	1912			78.1
	1911			64.2
	1000		EC 010-	700

1908..... 56.016 76.6 1912......17.826 29,756 3.693 1911.. 32,250 51,496 3,810

1909.....25,905 43,164

1908.....27.907 32.140

BRYAN SIDESTEPS.

Boesn't Let "Political Indiscretion" Embarass Him.

At the annual banquet of the Philadelphia Sons of Delaware on Saturday night ex-Congressman Handy, of Delaware, introduced William J. Bryan as the "next president of the United States." Mr. Bryan told the diners that he hoped they would not treas ure up against Mr. Handy the "political indiscretion" he had just com hearers with the truth of his state- mitted. "He means well," Mr. Bryan ments. He admitted buying a bottle said, "and it only indicates how a of whiskey in the restaurant; stated habit he learned 17 years ago has be-

come fixed." 'I believe the tosatmaster is of the man with a bottle, after which he opinion of many others." Mr. Bryan ran away, and that he was quite a continued, " that my highest ambitgood distance off when the shots were | ion has been to become president of fired. He later met Madison, who, he the United States. That is not so. From my earliest manhood I have held a worthier and a higher ambition. I have considered that office on-Moore were put on the witness stand. It as a means to an end. I consider no chusetts cost the lives of 13 persons but they denied knowing anything one worthy to occupy that high office who is not more interested in the things that can be accomplished than

in the fame it brings. "I am happy, and I want you all ler was sentenced to thirty days on to believe me when I say so, to see the chain gang. After sentence had those things so near my heart being been passed Madison asked permis- done by another; happier than if I were in that place. I am happy to see quests as to the disposition of his a nation of people change its point of view and adopt those things which have always been close to my heart."

Senator Tillman Indisposed.

A Washington dispatch says Senathe week.

Flagman Loses Leg.

er-in-chief of the United Confederate wick, in attempting to get on a cisco. Veterans, has named April 29, 30 and freight car at Batesburg was thrown May 1 as the official days of the 1914 off. He fell under the wheels and had the misfortune to lose a foot.

Forty-six Lives Lost.

FATAL ACCIDENT

PEEPLES KILLS COLUMBIA NEGRO UNINTENTIONALLY

IN PUTTING UP PISTOL

Attorney General Explains to Coroner's Jury the Circumstances Leadand Dead Negro.

there had been ginned 11,854,541 ed Saturday night by Attorney Gen- marooned were negro farm hands. bales, or 87.9 per cent. of the entire eral Thomas H. Peepdes at the Elks' crop; in 1911 to that date 12.816.807 Club in Columbia, where the negro lost their lives in the vicinity of bales, or 82.4 per cent., and in 1908 was employed as chef. According to Bryan, where a thirty-mile stretch of entirely accidental and Mr. Peeples bled under the pressure of the flood. Included in the ginnings were 85,- is sorry beyond expression, at the Hempstead, in Walter county, from

Sheriff McCain, of Richland counbales in 1910, and 134,393 round club soon after the shooting and on half a dozen other small towns in The number of sea island cotton good night's rest at the Mansion he vanced the total fatalities to 150 in bales included were 61,516, compar- sent a deputy with fim. Sheriff Mc- all.

> means that the Attorney General will with little food or fire. be brought to trial at the January

the inquest tended to show that the almost to the Gulf coast. A trainshooting was an accident. Attorney load of provisions was ordered from General Peeples himself made a Austin to Gause, in Milam county, on statement to the jury in which he ex- the Bazos for 500 marooned. Close plained the discharge of the pistol, to Simonton, in Fort Bend county, his reason for having it and all the near the mouth of the Brazos river, matters leading up to the unfortunate fifty persons were shut up in a wareoccurrence at the club.

In effect Mr. Peeples stated that he had placed the pistol in his automo- dam near Richmond Tuesday, floodbile Saturday when his mother went ing a State convict farm. The priswith her brother to Lexington. The oners had been removed. Texas cities return trip was made by Mrs. Peeples have all began pouring money and with a strange chauffeur and he de- supplies into the flooded district. sired that she should have the pistol Houston raising \$8,000 in cash. for protection. When he went to the Elks' Club at 10 o'clock Saturday those drowned were members of resnight he took the pistol out of the cue parties whose flimsy boats were car and carried it upstairs to the club overturned. One of the most heroic rooms with the intention of leaving sacrifices was that of three young

Peeples, "and wanted to leave the posude after their two motorboats as he walked behind the buffet to R. Cavitt. Clifton Elzie and Asa J. place the weapon near the cash reg- Robbins, started Saturday noon with ister Capt. J. H. Weaver, who was Tom Evans, another Bryan man, to standing behind the counter, asked carry provisions to a point about him to let him see the pistol. He twenty miles north of Bryan. Their stated that he was handing it over boat overturned on a snag. Robbins. when the pistol discharged, killing Cavitt and Evans got into a tree tothe negro cook, who was standing in gether with Elzie in a tree fifty yards front of the buffet at the monument

From the testimony of other witnesses it was brought out that the pistol was cocked. Mr. Peeples stat-"My God, what have I done!" ex- Death List Will Probably Go Into ed that he did not know of this.

claimed Mr. Peeples when he saw the negro fall after the discharge of the gun. "I felt like blowing out my own brains," he said. All witnesses testified the Attorney General was distressed and Sheriff McCain said he wept as he told him of the shooting a few minutes after it happened.

The supposition is that the hammer of the gun struck the counter as Mr. Peeples handed the gun to Mr. Weaves, and it was thereby discharged Sheriff McCain made an examination of the room that bore out the statements of witnesses with refer-The ginnings of sea island cotton, ence to the range of the bullet, and prior to December 1, by states, fol- the doctor's testimony also confirm-

ed this. A brother of the dead negro was 1913. 23,207 34.815 4.496 present at the shooting. He after- born that twelve negroes and a Mexi- sneir. wards stated that he had heard no words pass between his brother and plantation, at the junction of the 8.522 Mr. Peeples, and the first thing he 8,349 knew was the pistol's report which he was very much surprised to hear. the flood waters on the Parker plan-The brother is an employee of the fation in the same vicinity, have not

club also. All witnesses agreed that no words passed between Mr. Peeples and the negro before the shooting. The other negro help in the club also testi-

fled to this. Cant. J. H. Weaver, conductor or the Southern railway, bore out Mr. Peeples' statements with regard to the discharge of the gun. Capt. Weaver says he was standing right next to the Attorney General.

Assistant Attorney General Fred Dominick appeared as counsel for Mr. Peeples and questioned witnesses briefly. Solicitor Wade Hampton Cobb appeared for the State. He will be the prosecuting officer at the trial.

ROBBED OF SAVINGS.

Him Across Country.

Anderson Man Says Trio Followed

Arrested for acting queerly when he alighted at Richmond, Va., on Thursday from a train from Washington, C. T. Estes, of Anderson, told | trio of men, who finally drugged him and robbed him of his savings of nine years, amounting to more than \$500. Estes said he was en route home from nine years spent in the Phillipines, where he had been doing service with the United States coast ar-

ed San Francisco, but said later he ing ginhouse on an island a mile and pressed by the rebels. Gen. Villa's ed nurses have been awarded to the tor Tillman has been confined to his met up with the three men, who per- a half out. The flood streches almost rebel forces had been in pursuit of following persons: Esther P. Fairhotel for several days with a grippy sisted in his drinking with them. to the horizon, six miles or more, dot- the furtifives. but the Federals. by cloth, Conway: Mary A. Kennedy, cold. His physicians say that there When he came to himself he was in ted here and there by a roof or the evacuating the city unawares, had an Orangeburg: Sadie L. Larkins, Cowas drowned, her niece, Rosa Wil- is nothing serious the matter, and a hotel, near the Mount Vernon sta- steeple of a submerbed church. The advantage in point of time, and Vil- 'umbia; Lena T. Lee, I'nion; Lena R. eight were injured, one hunter being son, aged 8, was burned to death and that he is being kept in his room tion, Washington. Estes claims that forty-mile levee is the refuge of do- la's forces were unable to overtake Lester, Prosperity: Burness B. Long, shot as he was taking a deer out of several others were injured late Sun-chiefly as a precaution. The senator he got off the train and acted like he mestic animals at points where it did them. day when a pleasure launch was is dictating letters as usual and ex- was going to commit suicide, in or- not all cave in. seemed to have been more plentiful burned at Hale's bar on the Tennes- pects to be back at the capitol within der to be arrested, to avoid the men who were on the train with him. He had \$22 in cash and papers, which showed he had been honorably dis-Southern Railway Flagman War- charged from service at San Fran-

ed at Fort Hunt, Virginia.

Caught on Trestle.

of Indianapolis, while out walking Sunday, were caught on a double Forty-six lives were lost Thursday tracked trestle. In avoiding an out-Ga., was blown open by yeggmen by the foundering of the Swedish bound freight they did not notice the streyed by gre. The loss is estimat- caution to prevent a clash between Monday night. They secured \$400 steamer Maimberget off Bodo, Nor- approach of an inbound passenger his wife and a man named Allston, at attacked the Federals might occupy Mercado to procure orders from Mextrain, and were crushed to death.

DEATH LIST IS GROWING

LATEST REPORTS FROM SOUTH TEXAS SHOWS 150.

Fear Freeze and Famine — Appeals for Help From Flooded Districts

Meets Hearty Response. The number of known dead as a result of the flood, which was spread over the lowlands in half a dozen counties in South Central Texas. has

ing up to Deplorable Affair-There reached 150, with several thousand refugees marooned in half-flooded Was No Difficulty Between Him cotton gins and dwelling houses, safe from the water for the time being, but suffering from hunger and expo-Robert Marshall, colored, was kill- sure. Four-fifths of the dead and Of the dead the greater number

which reports up to this time had been meagre, reported twenty drownty, was on hand personally at the ed and others missing. Reports from the suggestion that Mr. Peeples get a Walter and adjoining counties ad-

The San Feupe section of Austin bales in 1911, 77,591 bales in 1909, that this was a matter of form, al- county, where fears were expressed though the shooting was explained as for several hundred persons marconed on a slight elevation, received a The investigation by the coroner's shipment of motor boats from Hous- FLIGHT FROM CHIHUAHUA TRAGIC jury was held Sunday night and re- ton, which rapidly removed the refuultimate separation of Ulster from out of his way, when he left the of the entire crop ginned prior to that sulted in the verdict that Robert Mar- gees to safety. The great danger shall, the negro cook at the Elks' now is freezing and starvation. For Club, came to his death Saturday the second successive night ice was night from the accidental discharge forecasted over the thirty-nine disof a pistol in the hands of Attorney trict about Bryan, where 1,800 per-General Thomas H. Peeples. This sons, mostly negroes, are marooned

Urgent appeals for blankets and term of court for accidental himicide. food were received from all over the All the testimony brought out at stricken district, from central Texas house without food.

The Brazes crest went through a

In the vicinity of Bryan seven of Eryan business men, all of whom died "I do not carry a pistol," said Mr. in a tree north of that city from exweapon at the club." He said that had capsized. These three, Howard away.

FLOOD DEALS DISASTER.

Hundreds.

Sunday's dispatches increased the number of known dead in the Texas floods to sixty-one, with the possibility that a heavy toll of drownings reported, but not yet confirmed, at Sunnyside, in Waller county, Texas,

would increase this number. The crest of the Brazos River flood Sunday night was nearing Brazory county, which borders on the Gulf, and the peak of the Colorado River flood was approaching Matagorda county, also on the Gulf. As the of broken-down wagons, disabled ar. over a soldier did in battle-only in water passed southward the damage incident to the overflow grew corre-

spondingly. Reports Saturday night from Wel- presented a spectacle of universal decan had been drowned on the Allen Navasota and Brazos rivers, and that twenty-five negroes had met death in

vet been confirmed. reported to have been drowned at the most trapic incidents of the pres-Sunnyside, a small town on the lower ent revolution. Brazes, Sunday night. It is said between 400 and 500 persons are marooned on a small mound at San Felipe and are in great danger. A special train loaded with motorboats cheer weariness, so their tracks were

cue them. J. R. Garrett, a planter, who telephoned to Houston for assistantce, reported that the entire Brazos bot- left the blackened ashes of camp tom in Waller county, is flooded; that fires, marking at eight stages on the a number of houses had floated away, and that refugees were clinging to trees and housetops. Boats are being hlowing off the high plateau, and constructed as rapidly as possible to often within the hearing of the howlrescue those imperiled. Sunnyside is ing covotes. The traveling in the eight miles north of Brookshire. Mr. day time was sometimes through Carrett said that warning was given sand storms. It was impossible to the residents of the lowlands of the estimate the number of refugees, but approaching flood Saturday, but that observers say they would total sevmany of them refused to leave their eral thousand.

homes. The task of rescue along the forty the soldiers would attempt to seek miles of flooded Brazos Valley was refuge in the United States was not succeeded by the problem of provida story of having been followed from ing for 2,000 or more refugees. Re-San Francisco to Washington by a ports from the flooded territory brought by motorboats showed that twenty exhausted soldiers early in has been arraigned on the blind tiger between 700 and 1,000 persons are the day, the few rehels at Oilnaga charge. The first time he was armarconed in ginhouses and large who were greatly outnumbered by the raigned the jury not only acquitted plantation residences, safe from the advancing Federals. left their garri- him. but took up a collection for him. flood, but in urgent need of food and clothing.

Sunday night at Horse Shoe Bend, tillery, near Manilla, having enlist- above the roaring of the river, could without fighting. It was believed be heard the singing and praying of they probably would remain on the He had his money when he reach- fifty negroes facing death in a rock- Mexican side so long as they were not

Auto Turns Turtle.

Patrick Gorman and John Halroyd West End, N. C., Tuesday. Two Killed Near Sumter.

Providence, on Saturday.

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INCIDENT OF WAR

ARMY OF DESERTERS

Remarkable Hegira Presented Spectacle of Despair and Confusion a-Stragglers Struggled Across Des-

The complete rout of Huerta's federal army in Northern Mexico. with the frantic flight of his generals for safety to the border and the demoralization of the unpaid troops, was established with the arrival Monday at Ojinaga, Mexico, opposite Presidio of the civilians and soldiers who deserted Chihuahua City.

In the remarkable hegira, which mile trail through the desert and endured great hardships for want of food and water, were Gen. Salvador Mercado, Huerta's deposed military governor and commander of the Federal troops in the north: Gen. Pascual Orozco, Gen. Antonio Rojas. en, Caraveo, Gen. Ynez Salazar and a host of subordinate officers. They had deserted their post in fear of Con Francisco Villa's robol grmv ar virtually 'had surrendered to the rebels Chihushus, the State canitol and the largest of the far northern Along with them came burdened

men, women and children corresport ing some of the richest families in the renublic. Their flight with the -my were in the ace of reports that they might expect no mercy should Chihnahna, was said to have henught

with what property they could carry

ing it might he looted by the rehals if Witnesses viewing the oncoming fillery and mingling of dicheartened this instance the battle lasted for soldiers and famished civilians as years. they slowly moved over the desert

The feer of heing unable to keen nace with the eccorting army, of heing lost on the desert, or cancht he so precinitate a flight and kent the refusees in simost a continuous fren-

Many who had started out in vehicles later marched on foot: scores who attempted to carry their treasures had to abandon them through was dispatched from Houston to res- Hterally strewn with discarded immedned trinkets, which they had honed to carry to safety. Behind them they camped, sometimes in a cold wind.

> Whether the Federal officers and made known on their arrival. Just advance to the Rio Grande River and was acquitted.

border to take action in cases of any garet McLeod, Charleston; Ruth O. infringement of the neutrality laws. | Seay, Columbia. Earl Morrow, a leading druggist of It was known that the authorities Hamlet, N. C., was instantly killed had telegraphed to El Paso for a and his brother-in-law. Wilson Page, capies for the arrest of Gen. Orozco. a lumberman, was fatally injured who is under indictment in this sustained very painful burns several when their automobile, which Mor- country. Gen. Salazar is also under days ago while cleaning gloves with

view of the assembling of so large a and the gasoline ignited instantly. According to a report from Sumter force of Federals on the border. It -Mose Deas, colored, shot and killed was believed that if they were not indefinitely and thus enable Gen.

WILL HONOR GAILLARD

WORK OF LATE CANAL ENGI-NEER IS APPRECIATED.

Congress Will Probably Give Some Evidence of Its Gratitude to Engi-

Much sympathetic attention has been attracted in Washington by the collapse of Col. David DuBose Gaillard, says a news-dispatch from that place, immediately after the close of his great work on the Panama canal, erts in Heart Rending Eight Days his illness resisting all the efforts of the ablest physicians and culminating in his death a few days ago.

neer Who Gave up His Life.

Col. Gaillard, as nearly everybody knows, was in charge of the Culebra division of the canal. His problem was to dig the famous Culebra Cut and overcome the landslides. While there will be slides from time to time at various places along the route of the interoceanic waterway, as the report of Col. Goethals warns, it is nevertheless, beyond question that the main battle has been won and struggled for eight days over an 158- that the cessation of the slides is only a matter of time. The chief credit for this, as Washington sees the matter, goes to the South Carolina engineer, whose nervous system gave way irretrievably after the worst of the

struggle was over. There is a peculiar nathos in the manner in which Col. Gaillard's breakdown first manifested itself. He had just accomplished the solution of what was regarded as the last very difficult problem connected with the completion of his division. He was taking a walk along the side of the mighty excavation with a friend, contemplating the almost finished achievement, when all at once he asked a question which started his companion by indicating utter ignor-

ance that such a thing as the canal In a few more minutes it was apparent that the colonel's memory was a blank with regard to everything that had occurred since he had come to the Isthmus. This remarkable condition never changed; though, for a while, strange to say, the stricken genius was able to recall clearly the vious to his assignment to Panama. All the circumstances of the case a thin line for several miles into the prove that the man sacrificed his life Interior and that the dustr confusion in this crowning work as certainly as

It is taken for granted that congrace will suitably honor the memory of Caillard, but just what form the legislation will take remains to be seen. If he had recovered he would in all probability have received promotion to the rank of brigadier genera'. Since his death, however, it is understood that if no member of the Their arrival in a nonic, but un- South Carolina delegation in congress Fifty persons, mostly negroes, are molected by the rabels formed one of offers a bill to have the government take care of Mrs. Gaillard, one will be so introduced by either Representative Austin of Tennessee or Representative Tavenner of Illinois immediately. It is desired, it is said, to have some South Carolina member if this is not done then one of the ably propose to have the government pay Mrs. Gaillard \$100 a month during her lifetime in recognition of the services of her distinguished hus-

CRIPPLE RINS "TIGER". Georgia Doctor is Found Guilty or

Dr. L. B. Beauchamp, a cripple, aged 75, was convicted at Valdosta, Ga., Monday of operating a blind tiger at his residence. He was sentenced to a year at the State farm at Milledgeville. According to the evidence Dr. Beauchamp received 450 whose oncoming was announced by is not the first time Dr. Beauchamp son and retreated to the field. This The next time he read from the scripleft the way open for the Federals to tures and quoted poetry to the jury

United States troops were on the bis: Ethel McKee, Spartanburg; Mar-

Burned by Gasoline.

Mrs. J. H. Courtney, of Trenton row was driving, overturned near indictment in the United States. . gasoline. With the gloves on her There was no indication of what hands saturated with gasoline, she action the rebel leaders might take in struck a match to light an oil stove